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Wild Horse to Provide Scholarship Money

HINES, Oregon – Harney County's Distance Education Center hopes to raise more than \$2,000 for continuing education students with this year's wild horse raffle. For the sixth year in a row, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Burns District has donated a wild horse for the fund-raising event. All proceeds will go toward the Harney County Futures Scholarship fund, which supports local individuals participating in programs offered through Eastern Oregon University and Treasure Valley Community College.

This year's wild horse is Cisco, a 2-year old black and white pinto gelding from the Warm Springs Herd Management Area, gathered in August of 2006. Volunteer trainer Stan Stanley from Cathlamet, Washington provided a great deal of gentling instruction for Cisco. After three short months of work, the mustang leads, loads, has his feet handled, head and ears touched and can be saddled without being tied up.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20 and may be purchased from the Harney County Distance Education Center in Burns, Oregon during regular business hours, on the internet at www.eou.edu/foundation/ or at the Harney County fairgrounds on September 7, 8, and 9, where Cisco will be available for viewing. Drawing for the raffle will occur on Sunday, September 9 at the fairgrounds – you need not be present to win. The lucky winner must meet the requirements of BLM's Adopt-A-Horse program to take the wild horse home.

For more information concerning the Harney County Futures Scholarship or to purchase tickets for the wild horse raffle, contact the Distance Education Center at (541) 573-5012. For information regarding the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Adoption program or adoption qualifications, call (541) 573-4400.

